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Project *INdebt* to List Names of Delinquent Taxpayers on the Internet

Soon, many delinquent Hoosier taxpayers will get to see their names on any computer terminal with access to the Internet anywhere in the world.

As of July 1, 2004, the Indiana Department of Revenue will be required to publish on the Internet the names of taxpayers who have had one or more state tax warrants outstanding for at least two years and owe \$1,000 or more on each warrant.

The Department estimates some 29,000 taxpayers initially will be listed unless the liability is satisfied. Notices of the pending posting to the Internet are being mailed to these taxpayers this week to their last known address, advising them that their names, addresses and amounts of tax owed will be published. The final notices are required per statute, regardless of what previous notices they might have already received.

Indiana is not the first state to take this step; in fact, numerous other states either have already, or are seriously considering, posting the names of their delinquent taxpayers on the Internet as a matter of public record. Once a tax warrant is issued in Indiana, the debt becomes public information in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court.

Many questions are answered about Project *INdebt* on the Department's web site at www.in.gov/dor/. This web address will be the site used when the first warrants are posted July 1. New warrants that meet the criteria will be posted on a monthly basis.

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